RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN AWARDING TOYOTA DEALERSHIPS

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1992

House of Representatives, SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING, COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, Washington, DC.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to notice, at 9:30 a.m., in room 2247, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. John Conyers, Jr. (chairman of the Committee on Government Operations) presiding.

Present: Representatives John Conyers, Jr., Tom Lantos, Matthew G. Martinez, Ronald K. Machtley, and Jon L. Kyl.

Also present: Stu Weisberg, staff director and counsel; and An-

drea Nelson, counsel.

Full committee staff present: Ronald A. Stroman, deputy general counsel; Crystal D. Ford, associate counsel; and Christina J. Tellalian, minority professional staff.

OPENING STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN LANTOS

Mr. LANTOS. The Subcommittee on Employment and Housing will please come to order.

I am especially delighted this morning that the chairman of the full committee, Congressman Conyers, has honored us with his

presence and has agreed to chair this hearing.

Before turning the gavel over to him, I would like to express publicly my appreciation for the tremendous support that this subcommittee has received from Chairman Conyers during the course of his tenure as chairman of the Government Operations Committee. Without his backing, support, advice, and encouragement, we couldn't have done a fraction of the work that we have been able to achieve.

I am delighted to welcome Chairman Conyers.

OPENING STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN CONYERS

Mr. CONYERS. Thank you and good morning, Chairman Lantos and members of the committee. I appreciate chairing this hearing, because of its particular connection to my city, the many people that work in the automobile industry in Michigan and across the country. I can never reciprocate the praise that you always afford me and your generous manner, but I do want the record to reflect that your able chairmanship of this subcommittee has made it the outstanding subcommittee on the Government Operations Committee, and is a source of continuing pride to the entire House of Representatives.